In April 2007, the Judicial Council of California recommended that the State fund four new trial court projects in the State's 2008-09 budget, including the land acquisition phase of a proposed new Southeast Los Angeles Courthouse. The new nine-courtroom courthouse will replace the Huntington Park Courthouse, and return to the Huntington Park-South Gate community criminal cases that were transferred to East Los Angeles, Downey and downtown Los Angeles. The project will increase court operational efficiency by consolidating all adult court operations, both criminal and civil, into one location within the community. The Judicial Council is committed to working collaboratively with the County and local cities to select the site. The project is ranked by the Judicial Council as one of the highest priority capital projects for the judicial branch, and has the full support of the Los Angeles Superior Court.

- I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT THE BOARD:
- Support the Judicial Council's action to recommend inclusion of the new Southeast Los Angeles Courthouse in the Governor's Budget for 2008-09; and
- Send a five-signature letter to the Governor and members of the Los Angeles
 County Legislative Delegation requesting their support for this important project
 and its funding.

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